From: franeej@hotmail.com
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, Feb 22,2003 12:30 PM
Subject: Protect Children's Television!

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Senator Dianne Feinstein Senator Barbara Boxer RepresentativeTom Lantos From: Kelley S. Hestir
To: Michael Copps

Date: Sat, Feb 22,2003 3:05 PM

**Subject:** Media de-regulation

Dear Ms. Copps,

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--- Kelley **S.** Hestir Registered Voter, USA

--- kelleysh@mindspring.com

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From: John Rook

To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Sat, Feb 22,2003 4:24 PM
Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

John Rook (JHRook@earthlink.net) writes:

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John Rook

To: Date: Commissioner Adelstein Sat, Feb 22, 2003 5:35 PM

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Before our elected officials were bought off opening the flood gates of monopolization, the FCC would have demanded hearings to determine a licensee's right to use the public's airwaves, had any broadcaster been stupid enough to make such a statement.

These guys are a sad joke to broadcasters and a bad one at that! They are totally controlled by dollars, not sense!

John Rook

Server protocol: HTTP/1.0 Remote host: 66.82.9.14 Remote IP address: 66.82.9.14 From: klacara\_99@yahoo.com
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Subject: Protect Children's Television!

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Senator Dianne Feinstein Senator Barbara Boxer Representative Doug Ose From: Jane Hays

To: Commissioner Adelstein

Date: Sat, Feb 22,2003 7:51 PM

Subject: Comments to the Commissioner

Jane Hays (ianiech@msn.com) writes:

Dear Commissioner Adelstein,

I am writing to urge you to support regulations that promote diverse ownership in all channels of media. You are a trustee of the airwaves and citizens like myself are starting to realize that an accounting of the managmement of this public property is long overdue.

I am a 27 year old female "consumer" of radio in my community. I have only 2 choices during my morning commute that do not turn my stomach: NPR and the one locally owned and operated radio station. However, I am not writing to you on this Saturday afternoon because I'm indignant that most stations don't play more Lucinda Williams and less Backstreet Boys.

I am writing to you because I am a CITIZEN, not just a consumer, of my community and of the United States and I am concerned that members of Congress and the FCC are not working hard enough to protect one of our most vital tools of our democracy.

The deregulation and the subsequent ownership consolidation of radio stations is depriving local citizens of the forum to both share information and discuss issues that are important to our community and my nation.

About a year ago, I began to wonder why local djs never broke into programming to announce a major accident on 1-10 or a fire on State Street that was rerouting traffic. Also, I never seem to hear any local voices of the community discussing upcoming elections. Instead. 30 second advertisements purport to explicate a candidate's ideas on a complicated issue like oh, say, social security reform, with a 9 second sound bite. This is unacceptable. Citizens like myself are now becoming aware of the mismanagement of public airwaves. We are acting and will act aggressively in the future to ensure that our interests are served by Congress and the FCC.

Now the FCC is planning on removing regulations that prohibit a single corporation from owning radio, tv, and newspaper outlets in one city. While the motivations for these deregulations from different camps may be masked in the name of efficient business, the result of these policies is the undermining of democratic processes in our community and our nation.

Again, I urge you to speak up and promote the use of public airwaves for public good. At least give local and independent radio stations the opportunity to serve the community and perhaps we can revive public discourse and connectedness on issues that citizens ARE very concerned about.

We don't just want entertainment or distraction, we want discourse! Thank you for your time.

Jane Hays New Orleans, LA Janiech@msn.com

Server protocol: HTTP/1.1 Remote host: 67.249.33.4 Remote IP address: 67.249.33.4 From: Kevin Clark To: Mike Powell

Date: Sun, Feb 23,2003 2:47 PM

Subject: Please limit further media consolidation

Dear Sirs:

As a result of the communications act of 1996, the radio industry has undergone tremendous consolidation. As larger companies own more and more stations, the diversity of viewpoints represented and in programming types has decreased dramatically. Please do not allow further consolidation in either the radio or television industries. Democracy would be much better served by more media outlets and more diverse ownership rather than less.

Sincerely,

Kevin Clark 608 Kingsley St. Apt. 1 Normal, IL 61761

CC: Michael Copps

From: gingerrheal2@aol.com
To: Commissioner Adelstein
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To: Commissioner Adelstein
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To: Michael Copps

Date: Mon, Feb **24,2003 2:42** PM **Subject:** Protect Children's Television!

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To: Commissioner Adelstein

Date: Mon, Feb 24,2003 3:42 PM

Subject: Comments to the Cornmissioner

John Rook (John@JohnRook.com) writes:

WASHINGTON (The Hollywood Reporter) --- The chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee plans to launch an investigation into alleged payolalike practices by some of the big radio groups that also own concert venues.

Finally, four years after I telephoned and wrote to the FCC and DOJ advising them of this disgraceful situation in radio and the music business, Orin Hatch is about to open hearings on Payola. The head of the Mass Media bureau and two FCC commissioners each told me I was living in the past, that they last heard of Payola in the 1950s. They totally ignored me complaint and documentation. Shame that it has taken this long. But, now please do your job.

Thank God for the internet, it allows someone like me to keep an issue alive and actually challenge big money lobby groups. Remember this when someone trys to take away our freedom of the world wide web John Rook

John@JohnRook.com

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From: tim.cate@ashland.k12.or.us

To: Michael Copps

Date: Mon, Feb 24,2003 5:34 PM Subject: Protect Children's Television!

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Dear FCC Commissioner Michael J. Copps,

Media mergers have already gone too far in the United States. Companies like AOL/Time Warner have a huge potential for serious conflicts when a magazine reviews a movie and its soundtrack and all three products are emanating from the same corporate source.

Please do not allow any further monopolization of news entity ownership. Specifically, do not allow newspapers, television stations, and radio stations in any market to be owned by the same company. Independent ownership of news media entities is the public's only guarantee of unbiased and unfettered news reporting vital in a democracy.

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